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#### **OATH OR AFFIRMATION**

I, Samuel R. Shipley, III	, swear (or affirm) that, to the
best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying	financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of
Ariane Capital Partners, LLC	, as of
December 31, , 2004, are true ar	nd correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company
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	unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of con-
solidation.	•
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# ARIANE CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedules Pursuant to SEC Rule 17a-5

**December 31, 2004** 

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Ariane Capital Partners LLC

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Ariane Capital Partners LLC as of December 31, 2004, and the related statements of income, changes in members' equity, changes in liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors, and cash flows for the year then ended that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Ariane Capital Partners LLC as of December 31, 2004, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in Schedules I and II is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Abington, Pennsylvania February 24, 2005 Sanorlles Company Certified Public Accountants

#### ARIANE CAPITAL PARNERS LLC

### Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2004

#### ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 24,778
Fees receivable	15,000
Advance to member	3,100
Total assets	\$ 42,878
LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$_5,500
Total liabilities	5,500
Commitments and contingent liabilities	
Members' Equity	37,378
Total liabilities and members' equity	\$ 42,878

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## ARIANE CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC Statement of Income For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

#### **REVENUE**

Private placement retainer fees Interest	\$	360,000 67
Total revenue	-	360,067
EXPENSES		
Management fees Regulatory fees and expenses Consulting fees Professional fees Insurance Bank charges	_	327,515 3,155 2,281 2,700 369 307
Total expenses		336,327
Income before income taxes		23,740
Provision for income taxes	_	
Net income	\$_	23,740

## ARIANE CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC Statement of Changes in Members' Equity For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

Members' equity as of January 1, 2004	\$	13,638
Net income		23,740
Contributions of capital		-
Withdrawals of capital	_	
Members' equity as of December 31, 2004	\$	37,378

## ARIANE CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC Statement of Changes in Subordinated Borrowings For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

Subordinated borrowings at January 1, 2004	\$ -
Increases:	-
Decreases:	 -
Subordinated borrowings at December 31, 2004	\$ _

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

#### ARIANE CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC

#### Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$	23,740
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash		
used in operating activities:		
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) decrease in assets:		
Fees receivable		( 15,000)
Advance to member		( 3,100)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	_	( 2,650)
Net cash provided by operating activities	_	2,990
Net increase in cash		2,990
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	_	21,788
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$_	24,778
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information Cash paid during the year for: Interest paid Income taxes	\$ \$	-
modific taxes	Φ	-

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## ARIANE CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2004

#### 1. ORGANIZATION

Ariane Capital Partners LLC ("the Company") was formerly Shipley Raidy Capital Partners, LLC. The Company is a Pennsylvania limited liability company that is a registered broker dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and the National Association of Securities Dealers ("NASD"). The Company, which has agreed to limit its business to corporate finance and investment banking activities, is directly affected by general economic and market conditions, including fluctuations in volume and price level of securities and changes in interest rates, which have an impact on the Company's liquidity.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of the Company's significant accounting policies:

Investment Banking -Investment banking revenues include gains, losses and fees arising from the private placement of securities. Investment banking revenues also include fees earned from providing merger and acquisition consulting, financial restructuring advisory services and financial consulting services. These fees are recognized when the private placement is completed and the income is reasonably determinable. Fees for financial restructuring advisory services and financial consulting services are recorded when earned.

Securities owned - Securities owned are valued at their fair value generally determined by market quotations; other investments with no ready market are valued at fair value as determined by management. The corresponding appreciation or depreciation is included in revenue. Securities transactions and related commission revenue and expense are recorded on a trade date basis.

Use of Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results may differ from those estimates and assumptions.

*Income taxes* - No provisions have been made for income taxes since the Company is a limited liability company and has elected to file its tax return on a partnership basis. The individual members are liable for income taxes based on their respective share of the Company's taxable income.

Allocation of income, loss and cash distributions - Allocations of net income, loss and cash distributions are based on the proportion of the qualified member's account to the total capital accounts.

Cash and cash equivalents – The Company includes as cash and cash equivalents amounts invested in money market mutual funds.

### ARIANE CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) December 31, 2004

#### 2. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company has an agreement with a Company that is a related party under which the Company is provided with office space, all utilities and communications in return for the payment of management fees to the related Company. For the year ended December 31, 2004 the Company paid management fees in the amount of \$327,515.

#### 3. CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

The Company maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts, which at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts. The Company believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk related to cash.

#### 4. CONCENTRATION OF REVENUES

The Company performs corporate finance and investment banking activities. These activities generally involve a limited number of clients and transactions that have varying realization periods and result in fluctuating revenues.

#### 5. NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to the net capital provisions of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Company is required to maintain a minimum net capital as defined under such provisions. Net capital and the related net capital ratio may fluctuate on a daily basis. At December 31, 2004 the Company had net capital and capital requirements of \$19,278 and \$5,000, respectively. The Company's net capital ratio was .29 to 1.

#### 6. COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS

The Company will operate in accordance with the exemptive provisions of (k)(2)(i) of SEC Rule 15c-3-3. The Company does not carry security accounts for customers.

## ARIANE CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission December 31, 2004

#### COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL

Total members' equity		37,378
Deduct members' equity not allowable for Net Capital:		-
Total members' equity qualified for Net Capital		37,378
Add: Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors		_
Total capital and allowable subordinated liabilities		37,378
Deductions and/or charges: Non-allowable assets:	·	
Fees receivable		15,000
Advance to member	_	3,100
Total non-allowable assets	_	18,100
Net Capital before haircuts on securities positions	_	19,278
Net Capital	\$_	19,278
COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS		
Total aggregate indebtedness liabilities from Statement of Financial Condition	\$_	5,500
Total aggregate indebtedness		5,500
Percentage of aggregate indebtedness to Net Capital		29%
Percentage of debt to debt-equity total computed in accordance with Rule 15c3-1(d)		0%

## ARIANE CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission December 31, 2004

#### COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT

Minimum Net Capital (6 2/3% of \$5,500)	\$ 367
Minimum dollar Net Capital requirement of reporting broker or dealer	\$ 5,000
Net Capital requirement	\$ 5,000
Excess Net Capital	\$ 14,278
Excess Net Capital at 1000%	\$ 18,728

### RECONCILIATION BETWEEN COMPUTATION OF ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT AND COMPUTATION IN COMPANY'S UNAUDITED FOCUS REPORT

#### Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1

No material difference exists between the broker's most recent, unaudited, Part IIA filing and the annual audit report.

# ARIANE CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC Computation For Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission December 31, 2004

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 in accordance with Section (k)(2)(i).

RECONCILIATION BETWEEN COMPUTATION OF ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT AND COMPUTATION IN COMPANY'S UNAUDITED FOCUS REPORT

Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3

No material difference exists between the broker's most recent, unaudited, Part IIA filing and the Annual Audit Report.

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To the Members of Ariane Capital Partners LLC

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplemental schedules of Ariane Capital Partners LLC (the Company) for the year ended December 31, 2004, we considered its internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness or aggregate debits and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1) Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons.
- 2) Recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13.
- 3) Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls, and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph, and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in conformity with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2004, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Members, the SEC, the NASD, and any other regulatory agencies that rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Abington, Pennsylvania February 24, 2005

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